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U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES 24881-11101 DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) U.S. APPLICATION NO. (INC. Yet Known **CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371** PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. | INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE PCT/JP2004/009325 01 July 2004 01 July 2003 TITLE OF INVENTION Contour Extraction Apparatus, Contour Extraction Method, and Contour Extraction Program APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Nobuo Higaki Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. 2. This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items 3. (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. ☐ The US has been elected (Article 31). A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) a. is attached hereto (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau). has been communicated by the International Bureau. is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). 6. An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). is attached hereto. has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) 7. are attached hereto (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).

3. An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).

have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.

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10. An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

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11. An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.

12. An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.

A preliminary amendment.

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An Application Data Sheet Under 37 CFR 1.76.

15. A substitute specification.

16. A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.

17. A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821-1.825.

18. A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).

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